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SENATOR F. LEWIS: First of all I would make the motion then to delay 91, until that information is fully and readily available to the Legislature and to them people effected by the bill at large. That would give Senator Simpson an opportunity to speak to it and I would speak to my motion later again.

PRESIDENT: There is a motion to bracket LB91 and until certain Federal Standards are available to the members of the Legislature. Senator Simpson.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President, members of the Legislature and to Senator Lewis, the committee amendment struck reference to the National Standards. Now the standards shall be established by the Department of Health in the State of Nebraska so now there is no way you are going to get a copy of the rules and regulations until the bill becomes effective and they shall like the rules and regulations. So we are not any longer going by the standards that were set up in this bill. As I read it, in all portions of it the committee has struck that reference, so I would oppose that we should hold the bill when there is no logical purpose as long as this has been struck already.

PRESIDENT: Senator Koch.

SENATOR KOCH: Mr. President, I have some questions of Senator Simpson since he is the introducer of the bill. I would think that a lot of members of this body would appreciate an in-depth discussion of this piece of legislation. I have an interest in mobile homes and their feature but, with the proposed adoption of amendments that Senator Kennedy offered, it becomes quite confusing. As I understand the bill it was applicable to all cities and villages in terms of a code, was it not? Now it appears to me that we are striking any reference to metropolitan cities and other cities and so forth.

SENATOR SIMPSON: I don't know if we are in a position to argue the bill or not, but this I can answer this portion of the question, but it really doesn't have an effect on whether we are going to bracket it or not. What we are doing now under the committee amendments is only one minor thing. It originally said that cities of the metropolitan, primary and first class cities of over 30,000 population the county could have their own enforcement if they had laws equal to or tougher than the state law would be and if they enforced it. Now the committee has opened this up and said that any city, any municipality could now enforce their own law if it was equal to or tougher than the state law. It gives the enforcement down to any individual unit.

SENATOR KOCH: One last question. Are you supporting the amendments then, as they have been presented?

SENATOR SIMPSON: I would have no objection what-so-ever as long as we have enforcement of what is uniform and if an individual case might have a problem where they would want to be tougher in some areas and the city could have that and then enforce their own. I would have no objection.

SENATOR KOCH: Thank you.